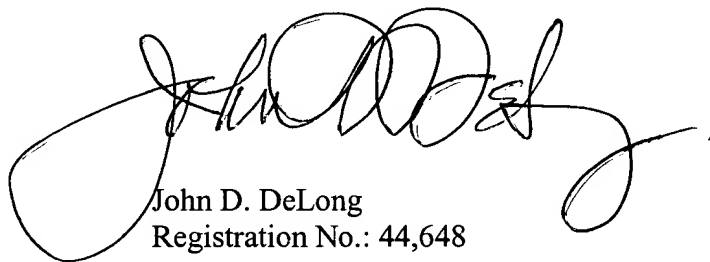


and being rollable along its length. Support for the Markush group of front surface profiles is found in the specification at page 4, line 31 to page 5, line 7; page 9, lines 15-33 and in Figures 1, 2 and 3. Support for the limitation that the molding is rollable along its length is found at page 4, lines 14 - 18 and Figures 1 and 4. Applicants direct attention to Figure 4, wherein the rollability of the architectural molding along its length is clearly indicated. While the embodiment illustrated in Figure 4 is directed to a rolled molding in a package, clearly the rollability of the molding is not limited to such packaging but is more broadly attributable to the nature of the molding itself, being rollable along its length. Applicants urge that the cited art does not teach nor make obvious the architectural molding recited in claim 39.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that the amendments herein overcome the rejections as presented in the Office Action and place the claims in condition for allowance. Applicants earnestly request that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowance for all claims.

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2. A molding according to claim [1] 39, wherein said molding is packaged in a continuous length greater than 30 feet.

3. (Amended) A molding according to claim [1] 39, said foam member having a cross sectional profile which provides nesting of multiple layers of said molding.

4. A molding according to claim [1] 39, wherein said front side is paintable.

5. A molding according to claim [1] 39, wherein said foam member is pre-colored.

6. [A molding according to claim 1] An architectural molding comprising an extruded flexible plastic foam member and a layer of pressure sensitive adhesive, said flexible plastic foam member having a front side and a rear side, said layer of pressure sensitive adhesive being disposed on at least a portion of said rear side, said front side having a front surface profile selected from the group consisting of front surface profiles of crown molding, cove molding, chair rail molding, and base molding, wherein said front side is corona treated to accept paint.

7. [A molding according to claim 1] An architectural molding comprising an extruded flexible plastic foam member and a layer of pressure sensitive adhesive, said flexible plastic foam member having a front side and a rear side, said layer of pressure sensitive adhesive being disposed on at least a portion of said rear side, said front side having a front surface profile selected from the group consisting of front surface profiles of crown molding, cove molding, chair rail molding, and base molding, wherein said front side is pre-primed to accept paint.

8. [A molding according to claim 1] An architectural molding comprising an extruded flexible plastic foam member and a layer of pressure sensitive adhesive, said flexible plastic foam member having a front side and a rear side, said layer of pressure sensitive adhesive being disposed on at least a portion of said rear side, said front side having a front surface profile selected from the group consisting of front surface profiles of crown molding, cove molding, chair rail molding, and base molding, wherein said molding is packaged in a roll.

14. A molding according to claim [1] 39, wherein said member is made of a flexible plastic foam material selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, rubber latex, polypropylene, polyurethane and polyvinyl chloride.

15. A molding according to claim [1] 39, wherein said member is made of polyethylene foam.

26. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, a first portion of said rear side having a first layer of pressure sensitive adhesive disposed thereon, a second portion of said rear side having a second layer of pressure sensitive adhesive disposed thereon, said first layer being oriented about perpendicular to said second layer so that said architectural molding is capable of being effectively installed at the intersection of a wall and a ceiling.

27. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said molding being [adapted to be installed only at an intersection corresponding in geometry to an] capable of being effectively installed at the intersection of a wall and a ceiling.

28. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said molding having only one foam member.

29. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said foam member being a monolithic foam member, said molding having an outermost foam portion and an innermost foam portion, said outermost foam portion and said innermost foam portion being monolithic with said foam member.

30. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said foam member having a density of less than 9 lbs./cu. ft.

31. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said molding consisting essentially of said extruded flexible plastic foam member and pressure sensitive adhesive disposed on said rear side of said foam member.

32. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said foam member having sufficient thickness to permit effective bonding of adjacent butt joint surfaces exposed by perpendicularly cutting said foam member.

33. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said foam member being 3/16 – 3/4 inch thick.

34. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said form member having a cross sectional profile which is of substantially uniform thickness.

35. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said rear side having a top portion and a bottom portion, a first layer of pressure sensitive adhesive being disposed on said top portion of said rear side, a second layer of pressure sensitive adhesive being disposed on

said bottom portion of said rear side so that said architectural molding is capable of being effectively installed at the intersection of a wall and a ceiling.

36. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said rear side having a rear surface profile, said front surface profile corresponding in shape to said rear surface profile so that multiple layers of said molding will efficiently nest when said molding is coiled.

37. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said molding further comprising a release strip releasibly adhered to said layer of pressure sensitive adhesive.

38. (Amended) An architectural molding according to claim [1] 39, said rear side having a rear surface profile, said rear surface profile having a step, said step having a first surface, said step being oriented such that, when said molding is installed at said intersection of said wall and said ceiling, said first surface will be substantially parallel with said wall and the bottom of said first surface will form a corner with an intersecting surface.